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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group Art Unit: 1637

Filing Date: January 5, 2001

Examiner: Fredman, J.

Applicants: Brookes et al.

Atty. Docket: 40225.000

Title: DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID POLYMORPHISM

TRANSMITTAL: REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 CFR §1.114)

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

This request for continued examination of the above-noted application includes:

- Submission of documents (37 CFR §1.114(a), (c))
  - The submission consists of the enclosed Response (with Preliminary Amendment and Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time).
- Fee (37 CFR §1.114(a), §1.17(e)):
  - The fee of \$910 is calculated on the following basis:

## RCE FEE (Taking account of preexisting claims and any amendments made in the submission)

| For  | No. Filed | No. Extra | Rate (SMALL ENTITY) | Fee (SMALL ENTITY) |
|--|-----------|-----------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Basic Fee  |           |           | \$375               | \$375              |
| Total Claims   | 52 - 20 = | 32        | x \$9 =             | \$288              |
| Independent Claims                                       | 4 - 3 =   | 1         | x \$42 =            | \$42               |
| If Multiple Dependent Claim Present (NONE PRESENT)       |           |           | + \$140 =           | \$0                |
| Extension of time fee (TWO Months) (37 CFR §1.136, 1.17) |           |           | + \$205 =           | \$205              |
|  |           |           | Total:              | \$910              |

ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.27(c)): This application did not previously qualify for small entity status, but has since been assigned. *Small entity status is now appropriate.*

- A Form PTO-2038 authorizing a charge to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

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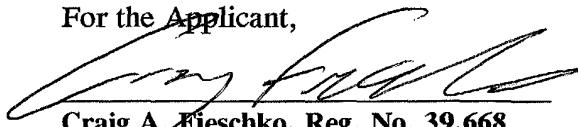
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**AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ACCOUNT:** The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR §1.16, or any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 18-2055; and to credit any overpayment to that account.

If any questions regarding the application arise, please contact the undersigned attorney. Telephone calls related to this application are welcomed and encouraged.

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**ENCLOSURES:**

- Response (with Preliminary Amendment and Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time)
- USPTO-2038